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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and  
prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as  
follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please insert the following  
paragraph:

REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is the national stage under  
35 U.S.C. §371 of international application PCT/JP99/04480,  
filed August 20, 1999, which designated the United States, and  
was not published in English. --